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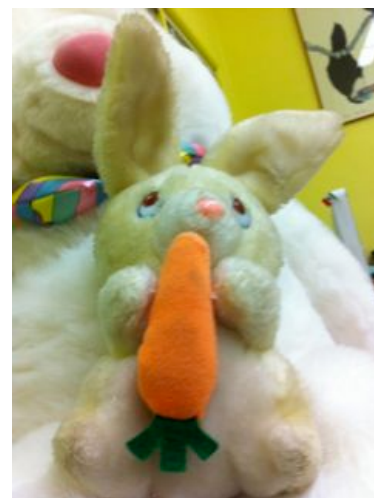
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Vicki

BY:
Natalie H. and Avery M.



We interviewed Vicki because it was her last year. We also interviewed other people about Vicki. Here is what we found out. Claire likes her decorations. Sasha likes everything. Joe likes sharing crossword puzzle answers. Judy likes her crazy hats and headbands. Meredith says she is really nice. John B. says she is funny. We also interviewed Vicki. Q means question and A means answer.

Q: What is your favorite word?

A: Brian

Q: Do you have any pets?

A: I have 1 cat named Florence.

Q: What is your favorite number?

A: 11

Q: Do you have any kids?

A: I have three boys.

Q: Can you make a paper airplane?

A: Yes

Q: Do you have a favorite food?

A: Lasagna

Q: What is your favorite letter?

A: K

Q: What is your favorite book?

A: Little House on the Prairie

Q: What is your favorite part about Edison.

A: It is old and cool looking.

Q: What are you going to do during your time off?

A: Play with cats and kids. Plant a garden. And listen to birds and crickets.

Q: When were you born?

A: 12-17-1947



Vicki and my teacher's (Avery's) baby Finn!

We will really, really miss you Vicki!

Interview and photos by Avery M. and Natalie H., 3rd grade

JOG-A-THON!

By Lane M. and Kate V., third grade



photos courtesy of Michelle Mikkelsen

J	A	O	N	X	L	R	S	H	M	A	S	C	O	T	W	Q	J	L	R
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Word Bank

Field
Run
Jog
Fast

Fundraiser
Edison
Runner
Track

Jog-a-thon
Mile
Mascot

Interview with Jog-A-Thon Coordinator Michelle Mikkelsen

Q: Do you enjoy being the Jog-a-Thon coordinator?

A: It's my favorite Edison fundraiser!

Q: Have you had any good luck being the coordinator?

A: It's easy and fun because everybody helps, including family and friends.

Q: What is your estimate for the amount of money that we will raise?

A: In the last few years we've raised \$19,000 to \$20,000, so I hope this year we raise \$20,000 or more.

Q: What is your estimate for the number of kids who'll win prizes?

A: Lots of kids will win prizes! First, every student who signs up four sponsors will get a ice cream certificate to Prince Puckler's. Next, when students turn in their pledges they enter a prize drawing. One hundred students will win!

Q: How many years have you been the Jog-a-thon coordinator?

A: About five or six years.

As of June 1, we raised over \$29,000!!



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Summer News

OCEAN!!!!!!

Ocean Dangers

(cut out and take to the beach version)

There are many ocean dangers.

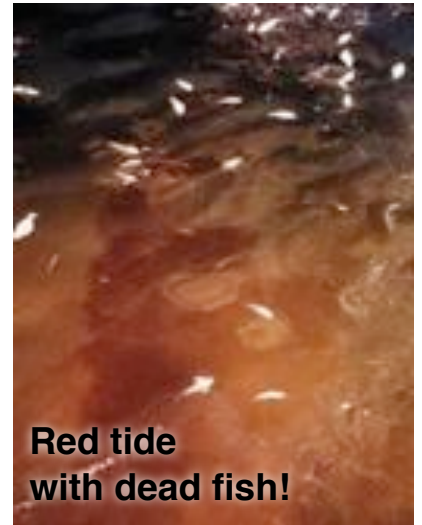
For instance, coral is so sharp, it can cut you, but that's just a minor one. A really dangerous one is high tide, especially when there are waves.

My rules are that you never turn your back on the ocean, NEVER swim – *stay out!* – in red tide*, and NEVER go in when it's stormy.

*When in doubt,
just stay out!*

Beware of sneaker waves. They look really small when they're far out, but they build up, gathering the water that is already there, growing larger as they get closer to shore. Sneaker waves can make you lose your balance and pull you into the open water. They are hard to get away from.
BEWARE!!!!

*Red tide is an algal bloom of large amounts that causes odd color (often red) in a body of water; red tides can cause irritation or death to exposed creatures.



**Red tide
with dead fish!**

OCEAN



Mermaid facts

Ocean Page by Mary C., 5th Grade

Credits:

Mermaid picture by Mary C.

Red tide picture: serc.carleton.edu/microbelife/topics/redtide/

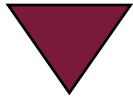
Mermaids or mermen are a cross between a fish and a human being. They can breathe under water, and speak to sea-creatures. Oh, how I would love to talk to a humpback whale!

Survey Says...

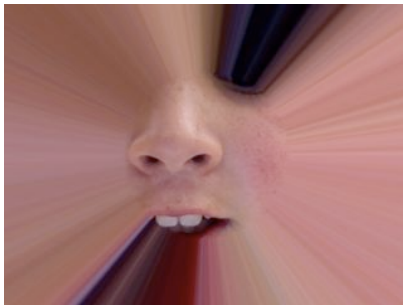
Opinion, prediction, and outcome

by Emma I.,
3rd grade

Now here's a
caricature.
Who is this?



Wii- Xbox	Lego	Playmobil	imaginary play-dress up	None of the above	Books
Connor	Donovan	Maya	Emma	Lane	Declan
Roscoe	John			Avery	Kate
Alex				Natalie	Sofia
Brennen				Pierce	Tor
Clio				Sebastian	Evelyn
					Catie
					Julia
					Mary



Opinion: I asked people their opinion on the way they'd most like to spend their time on Saturday mornings. You can see the results on the graph above.

Prediction: I thought that Xbox-Wii would win by a lot, but I was wrong. I guess young people aren't as technology obsessed as I thought they were.

Outcome: The good news is books won.

The scariest thing that ever happened to you...

by Roscoe K.,
3rd grade

Have you ever had anything scary happen to you? Have you, or have you not? I interviewed students in publishing about the scariest thing that ever happened to them. This is what they said. Which one do you think was the scariest?

WHO?	WHAT HAPPENED?
Sebastian M.	Broke both my arms on the Edison playground.
Avery M.	Climbed up an air shaft to get rid of a nest of bees.
Mary C.	Saw a bear around my mom's car, and my mom went to scare the bear away, and I locked the door while my mom was out there!
Donovan R.	Seeing Big Foot.
Connor D.	Getting stuck on a ski lift.
John A.	When I got stuck in a elevator.
Tor P.	When I got lost at Sahalie Falls.
Emma I.	Free falling from a swing that was 70 feet in the air.

China map



Chinese New Year

Page by Cathy L

*Information from wikipedia.org and
education2.uvic.ca/Faculty/mroth/438/CHINA/
chinese_new_year.html*

Chinese New Year starts with the New Moon on the first day of the new year and ends on the full moon 15 days later. The 15th day of the new year is called the Lantern

Festival, which is celebrated at night with children carrying lanterns in a parade.

The Chinese calendar is based on the movements of the sun and moon. The lunar cycle is about 29.5 days. In order to "catch up" with the solar calendar the Chinese add an extra month once every few years (seven years out of a 19-year cycle). This is the same as adding an extra day on leap year. This is why the Chinese New Year falls on a different date each year.

New Year's Eve and New Year's Day are celebrated as a family, a time to be together and be thankful. The celebration traditionally included a religious ceremony to honor Heaven and Earth, the gods of the household and the family ancestors.

The sacrifice to the ancestors, the most important ritual, united the living family members with those who had passed away. Relatives who have died are remembered with great respect because they were responsible for laying the foundations and luck of the family.

Ancestors are acknowledged on New Year's Eve with a dinner arranged for them at the family banquet table. The spirits of the ancestors, together with the living family members, celebrate the beginning of the New Year as one great community. The communal feast called "surrounding the stove" or *weilu*. It symbolizes family unity and honors the past and present generations.



New Year's Parade



New Year's Food



§ The Civil War §

by Sebastian M., 5th Grade



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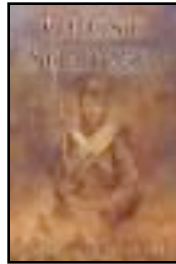
Blue / Dark = Confederacy

You may think the Confederacy was hugely outnumbered, but the Union states that fought in the war ended about where Missouri is. Now you are thinking the Union is outnumbered but their resources were much better. Pretty much the South had cotton.



stephengregory.blogspot.com

The Civil War was between America and America believe it or not, or you could say the Union (left) and the Confederates (right). The Confederates were "The South" and the Union was "the North". The two sides were separated by the Mason Dixon line.



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Ghost Soldier by Elain Marie Alphin.

This book got me interested in the civil war. Read it for yourself.

Alexander can see through time windows. However one day he falls through one and dies, but a ghost from it sticks with him with a problem and wants Alexander's help. Can Alexander help him?

The chance of surviving if you had a wound was 1 in 7. That's how bad those times were.

There were 6,000,000 cases of disease, which meant that, on an average, every man was sick at least twice.

5 FACTS ABOUT THE CIVIL WAR

Source: Civil war facts

www.19thAlabama.org/cwfacts.html

The most common diseases were dysentery (stomach flu), typhoid fever, pneumonia, malaria, and arthritis as well as common childhood diseases like measles, mumps, and malnutrition.

In the 1860 U.S. Census, there were 31,443,321 people. 23 million of these people lived in the 22 northern states, and 9 million lived in the 11 southern states. 3.5 million were slaves. Approximately 3.5 to 4 million people,

A fully armed soldier had about 60 rounds of ammunition. That's about seven pounds' worth. His cartridge box contained 40 rounds and he carried the rest in his pocket.

Top Five Frauds

By Pierce K., 4th grade

I am going to tell you about frauds. Usually the biggest are Ponzi schemes. Charles Ponzi invented it and he did the world's largest fraud ever. According to Dictionary.com, a fraud is "deceit, trickery, sharp practice, or breach of confidence, perpetrated for profit or to gain some unfair or dishonest advantage." Frauds include when people or businesses steal money in a very confusing way to trick the customers into giving them money. I am going to tell you about the world's top five frauds.

1. **Charles Ponzi** (1920s) invested money in mail coupons and got others to invest their money. But instead of paying them the profits, he got money from new investors and used that to pay the old investors. He supposedly bought 160 million postal coupons, but really just got 27,000. He was convicted of mail fraud and sentenced to 5 years of prison.
2. **Kenneth Lay** (2001) lied about his company so that more people would invest their money and he kept the money. He died before sentenced for securities fraud.
3. **Nick Leeson** (1995) caused the collapse of the oldest merchant bank in London by betting on Japanese markets (and losing). He was sentenced to 6 1/2 years in a Singapore prison.
4. **Alves dos Reis** (1920s) Forged documents to print what would have been \$150 trillion today in banknotes. And when he was in jail, he convinced a London bank to print more money. He spent 20 years in prison.
5. **Jerome Kerviel** (2008) did not have permission to invest money in certain areas, but he did and lost billions of dollars for his company. The company is suing him for breach of trust, falsifying documents, and computer abuse.

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Pictures and info. from wiki.nndb (Charles Ponzi), ssmh.com (Kenneth Lay), True Knowledge (Nick Leeson) and businesspundit.com

“The Muppets of 1955-1990”

BY: DECLAN H.

Muppets are most recognizable by the show that they were featured on, “The Muppet Show”, but are you sure you know..... THE COMPLETE HISTORY ON THEM?! The Muppets were created in 1954-55 by Jim Henson and his soon-to-be wife, Jane Nebel. When Jim finished college, he wanted to work on TV, but little did he know that he would become a puppeteer. He and Jane worked on a television show starring his “Muppets.” The TV show was called “Sam and Friends.” His Muppets lip synched to old music and comedy recordings: “Old Black Magic,” “Bob and Ray,” and so on. But not only did they lip synch to stuff, they also had voices. Their voices were used rarely only on certain skits like Esskay Meats commercials, and “Pun-Smoke.” The show ran until 1961.

Jim also created commercials, but there were a lot, so I won’t mention it again. Then, the Muppets became more and more famous by the year. They appeared on “Today,” “Jimmy Dean Show,” and so on. In 1968, Jim Henson wanted a show to teach numbers and letters in minutes. In 1969, the show “Sesame Street” was born, and still runs to this day.

Then, in the mid-1970s, the “Muppet Show” was created, and aired until the ‘80s. After that, Jim started to work on movies and still worked on Sesame Street until his death in May of 1990. I hope you learned something new. Bye.



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Advice

More Advice From a Squirrel

I know, dear readers, how long you have been waiting for *Advice From A Squirrel* to be back in newspapers, and it is BACK IN NEWSPAPERS! I am back from hiatus, and, since I know you have some brand-new questions, I have some brand-new answers! Wait no longer to pose your question to me!

-Dr. Philip Squirrelhead

Dear Philip,

My nuts disappeared! I'm sure I buried them under the tall pine tree, but when I came to dig them up, they weren't there! Please help!

From,

Clew Less

Dear Clew Less,

You must have moving trees in your neighborhood. Ask squirrels in the area if they've seen any trees moving recently. If they say no, maybe the nuts were magic and they tunneled away. From,

Philip

Dear Philip,

My friend is too fat! He loves nuts, so whenever he comes to my house I give him a bowl of nuts, but all those nuts are making him too fat! Can you help me?

From,

Thinn Squirrl

Dear Thinn Squirrl,

Maybe you should stop giving your friend nuts. From,
Philip



A Note From The (Real) Author

Next year, my family will be living abroad in France, and I will be a “foreign correspondent” for the Edison Light Bulb, using e-mail to send Light Bulb articles about life in France straight to the Light Bulb!

From,

Tor Parsons, 4th Grade

French flag:



Animal Spotlight

WOLVES

BY CLIO AND CAITIE, 4TH GRADE

Wolves are a species of mammals that are the largest members of the canine family, and are famous for their howl.

A wolf will howl to attract the attention of his pack, and sometimes their howls will help send messages from wolf to wolf. Sometimes a wolf will howl just because another wolf has started howling.

The most common kind of wolf is the gray wolf. Though wolves almost never attack humans, many people think they are one of the most threatening natural predators.



HABITAT

Different species of wolves live in different places, so we will tell you their basic habitat needs. Most wolves live in most Northern Hemisphere habitat types including arctic tundra, plains, savannahs, hardwood, softwood and mixed forest environments.

DIET

Wolves are carnivores, meaning they eat mostly meat. Their diet ranges from elk and moose to earthworms, berries, and grasshoppers. To avoid wasting valuable energy when hunting, wolves pick off the sick, young, and elderly prey.

FUN

FACTS

~Wolves do not actually howl at the moon, it just looks like it because they turn their heads upward when they howl.

~They are cousins of the werewolf, who might be real.

~some people breed wolf pups.

~Latin name: Lupus.



WOLF DRAWING BY CLIO



If you like wolves, you should read the book series ***Wolves of the Beyond*** by Kathryn Lasky.

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Bat Rays

(Myliobatis californica)

by Julia T. 4th grade

**THE SHADED OUTLINE SHOWS
WHERE BAT RAYS LIVE.**

Bat rays are truly amazing animals. Once, my sister and I were at an aquarium, and they had a bat ray petting tank, and so began my liking for bat rays.

Bat rays are black and white. Their skin is soft (I know, I pet one) and they have long pointy tails. Their wingspan is up to 1.8m and they have a mass of 91 kg.

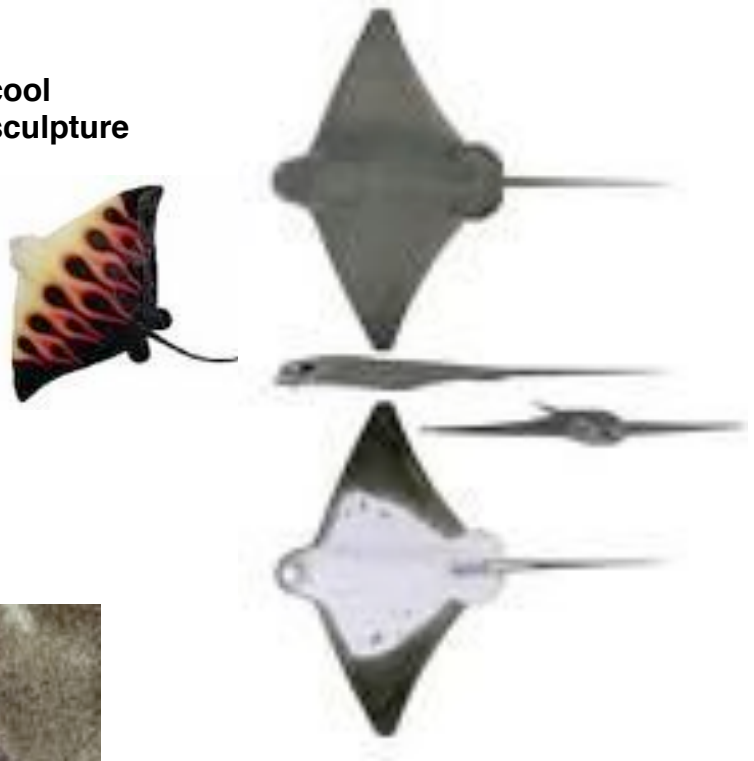
The diet of a bat ray consists of small mollusks and crustaceans, they put their meal in their mouth to make it soft, spit it out and suck off the soft parts.

They use their wings to scatter sand to find food.

Like I said, bat rays are truly amazing animals, now you know why. Maybe you can go see the bat rays too, (they were at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, in California).



**cool
sculpture**



FUN FACT:

Bat rays live up to 23 years

Info and images are from:
wikipedia, monterey bay
aquarium.com, thefishman.net, bradspictures.com
wildearthide.com and beaconsbeach.com

Animal Spotlight



Black-tailed Jackrabbit



European Rabbit



Cotton Tail Rabbit



kitten

Facts about Rabbits

By Maya K. and Evelyn M.

There are many different kinds of rabbits. There is the Black Tailed Jack rabbit, the European rabbit, and the Cotton Tail Rabbit.

Rabbits are very shy in the wild. Some rabbits don't live in the wild. Once Evelyn in first grade saw a rabbit at her grammy's house. It was a Cotton Tail Rabbit.

A baby rabbit is called a kitten.

Some rabbit's front legs are longer than their back legs. Some times rabbit ears don't go puffy up. Instead, they go floppy down! All rabbits are rodents and are fuzzy.

How to Take Care of a Pet Rabbit

Keep your rabbit with fresh water. Feed it Timothy hay, vegetables, and pellets. Clean their cage once week, and take them to get a check up once a year. You will have to play with rabbits every other day. Always give your rabbit time outside. Give your rabbit wood to gnaw on. Some wood rabbits can't gnaw on.

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myfreewallpapers.net

About Dragons By Katie W., 1st grade

Some dragons live in volcanos by the sea. Some dragons even live in the sea. But most dragons live in the forests. They eat shrimp and fish and krill. Their favorite food is shrimp. Dragons can lay eggs and they hate flies!

In the Dragon City

There was a dragon. Her name was Kelly. She was very nice. But...she was secretly a princess. One day she found a royal palace. It was a suitable place to sleep. She was not discovered until the next day passed. *They discovered me*, thought Kelly. She got dressed. The King greeted Kelly and said, "You must be in our royal family!" "Ok!" said Kelly. Then she met a Prince. The whole royal family were all dragons. Kelly was happy to be in a royal family. She wanted to marry the prince herself. They played together. They danced through the starry night. Kelly loved spending time with the prince. Kelly fell in love with the prince. They played with sock puppets and had so much fun that they decided to get married. Then they lived happily ever after.

The End



Rafflesia

By: Sophia B., 2nd grade

Rafflesia is the world's biggest single flower. It is 3 feet long and can weigh up to 22 pounds. Rafflesia is hard to find because it is going extinct. Its habitat is in the jungle of Asia and in the Philippines. Rafflesia is mushroom-like because it has no roots and no leaves. It sits on the ground and clings on the roots of big trees in the jungle.

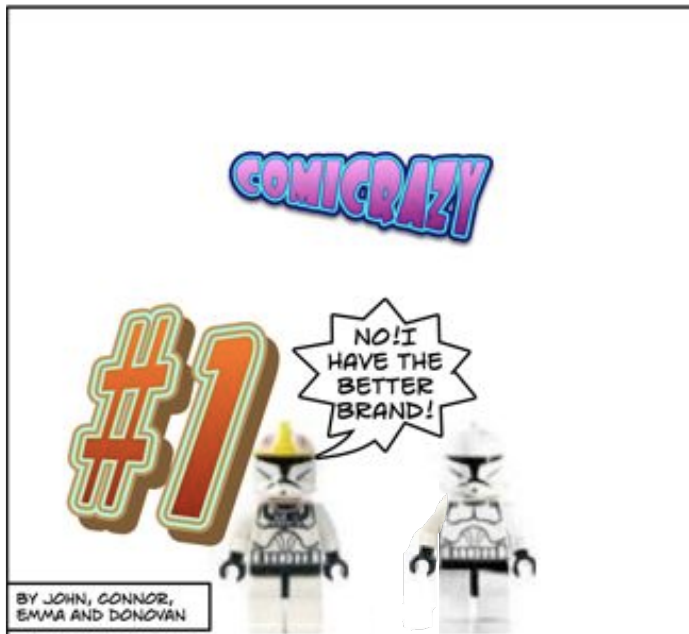


Rafflesia looks and smells like rotting meat so that bugs that feed on the flesh of rotting meat will come and pollinate it. Rafflesia blooms only once a year and its flower only lasts a few days before dying. When Rafflesia is ready to bloom a big bud comes up. It takes a few months for Rafflesia's bud to be a fully grown flower. There are 28 different types of Rafflesia. Sometime I want to see a real one. Not like I want to smell it or anything.



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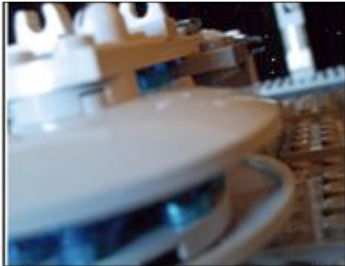
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GONING TO DESTROY A
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CANNONS



YAY!
WE ESCAPED



FILTH

HAPPY

DROID
POPPERS



ALL PHOTOS BY DONOVAN

POP POP AND FIREPOPP
PFB CAR ANY FIREMAN!

BY BRENNEN C.,
FIRST GRADE



HEY!

I WILL
NEVER EVER
GO ON A JUMP
STANDING ON A
CAR AGAIN!!!

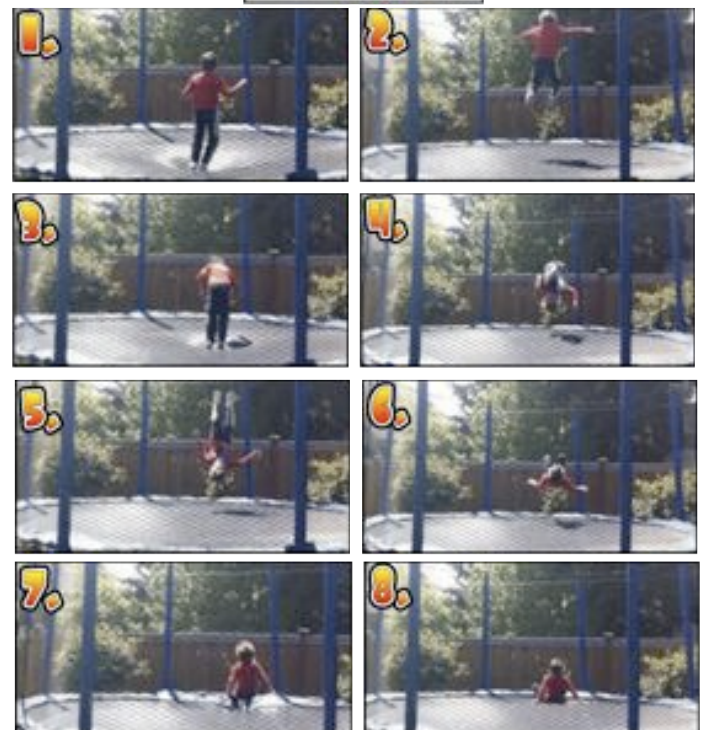


AAHHH!!!!!!



HOW TO DO A FLIP

BY ALEX K., 2ND GRADE



THREE TIPS FOR YOU:
1. DON'T WEAR SHOES ON THE TRAMPOLINE.
2. DON'T LAND ON YOUR BACK - IT'LL MESS UP THE FLIP AND IT WILL HURT.
3. JUMP REALLY REALLY HIGH - IT'LL HELP YOU MAKE A BETTER FLIP.
IF YOU DON'T GET IT THE FIRST TIME, KEEP TRYING. IT'S REALLY, REALLY FUN!!!

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